

The HUB

The Official Newsletter of American Fork City



MAKE A DIFFERENCE. Join a Board or Commission

Citizen boards and commissions serve many important roles for the public and local government. From the public's perspective, boards are viewed as part of the front line of City government. They provide an opportunity for public concerns to be conveyed to agency line managers and elected officials. They also provide representation and a place for interest groups and residents to have their concerns heard and acknowledged. From the local government side, citizen boards serve as a source of advice and a place to gauge public reaction to policies. Boards can assist local government by building community support for new or emerging policies as well as relieving some pressure between interest groups and policy

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makers. A well-functioning board features a diverse membership where alternatives and frequently competing perspectives are discussed and applied to public policy development work. By doing so, boards often act as a venue where agreements are negotiated and solutions on contentious issues are produced.

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Office Numbers

Administration	801-763-3000
Public Works.....	801-763-3060
Library.....	801-763-3070
Fitness Center.....	801-763-3080
Senior Center.....	801-763-3090

Non-Emergency

Police.....	801-763-3020
Fire & Rescue.....	801-763-3045

On-Call / After-Hour

Water/Pressurized	801-404-1253
Sewer/Storm Drain	801-404-7167
Streets	801-404-1255
Garbage	801-924-8500
Street Lights	801-814-4311



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KNOW THE CODE: BACKYARD CHICKENS

American Fork City Municipal Code establishes the rules around keeping chickens in residential areas. Hen chickens, regardless of age, may be kept on a property for the sole purpose of producing eggs.

Roosters are not allowed on any residential property. Depending on the size of your property, you are allowed to have anywhere from 3-6 hens. The animals need to be confined in the back yard within a secure, outdoor, enclosed coop. The coop needs to be fifteen (15) feet from a property line and six (6) feet from a residence. Additionally, and their feed needs to be stored in rodent and predator-proof containers.

In order to keep chickens, residents need to first register and obtain a permit from the city for \$15, which must be renewed each year. (See Section 6.11.020) To apply for a permit, visit the city administration building at 51 E. Main St.



AMERICAN FORK YOUTH THEATER PRESENTS:



American Fork Youth Theater along with Timpanogos Arts Foundation proudly presents SEUSSICAL KIDS! March 17, 18 & 19 at 6:00 & 7:30 p.m. Valentine Theater, 839 East 900 North, American Fork. Oh, the things you can think when Dr. Seuss best-loved characters collide in an unforgettable musical caper! Fun, family-friendly entertainment with a runtime of approximately 40 minutes.

Discount Tickets purchased at <https://bit.ly/afytseussical> on or before March 16 are \$3.00. Tickets at the door or online March 17-19 are \$5.00 for adult and \$4 for children (3-11). Two and under are free. For more info, contact Koreen at 801-368-5908.



American Fork High School Presents

Fly Me To The Moon

April 15th & 16th, 6-9pm
AFHS

Dinner, Dancing, Silent Auction

Chicken Cordon Bleu \$25

Prime Rib \$30

*Tickets may be purchased
at Fresh Market in
American Fork or at
americanforkband.com
until 7pm on April 11th*



Come dine and dance under the stars with the AFHS Jazz Band



BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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Although there is no commonly agreed upon definition, government boards and commissions often fall into three categories: advisory, quasi-judicial, and supervisory (Henry and Harms 1987).

Advisory boards advise, coordinate, represent, and/or advocate a position within an administration. These boards are often issue or interest group specific such as Parks and Recreation, but they do not have any formal or official policy making or governing power.

Quasi-judicial (regulatory) boards are granted some level of regulatory, judicial, or appellate power by ordinance or statute. These boards, such as the Planning Commission, have the ability to make a ruling that can be enforceable by law. Appeals from these bodies are either handled by the City Appeals Hearing Officer or the Utah State Third District Court.

Supervisory boards have the power to manage and oversee an agency or various



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tasks of government. These boards often have a wide range of responsibilities, including budget approval, appointing/employing personnel, adopting operational plans, defining, and creating policy, etc. In some cases, decisions of these boards are considered “advisory to the Mayor.”

However, in general, the bulk of decision making occurs at the board level and decisions are only overturned by elected officials with cause.

Serving on city boards or committees is a great way to give back to the community and be involved with what happens in American Fork City. If you're interested in participating in a city-wide board or commission, visit americanfork.gov for a list of available opportunities. You can also contact us at (801) 763-3000, or send an email to info@americanfork.gov.

AF HISTORY: SALT LAKE AND UTAH RAILWAY COMPANY

On March 26, 1910, American Fork City granted a one-hundred-year Interurban railroad franchise project to Abel John Evans, Stephen L. Chipman and others. Soon after, W.C. and Frank Orem undertook the project to its completion and the Salt Lake & Utah Railway Company was formed. The company had secured right of ways from Salt Lake City to Payson and saw completion between 1913 and 1916.

Often referred to as the “Orem Line” or the “Interurban”, the electric train ran down Main Street in American Fork and provided an affordable means of transportation while building up industry along the Wasatch Front. Passengers rode the train from city to city to attend ballgames, fairs, shows, school, and to visit family and business. At the peak of this railway, it was running 12 passenger trains out of Payson each day and a freight



Passenger car from the Interurban railway

train ran each way every day.

With the onset of the auto transportation industry, the railway had to drop to 6 trains a day causing financial issues and the Salt Lake & Utah Railway Company filed for bankruptcy shutting down the rail line.

Free ACT Study Sessions

Does prepping for the ACT got you stressed out? Come to the library and learn valuable tips and strategies to achieve a better score on each section of the ACT! This ACT study session include tips on time management and prioritization while taking the test, as well as tips on English, math, reading, writing, and science.

Staff will be available during the study sessions to answer questions, and you'll gain access to practice tests online with your library card.

Visit aflibrary.eventbrite.com for more information and to register.

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FAIR

FREE
for Job Seekers

TUESDAY MARCH 22, 2022
2:00 - 5:00 PM

In Person @ Utah Valley Convention Center 220 W. Center St. • Provo, UT

Like our Facebook page at facebook.com/UtahValleyJobFair and mark that you're coming to the Job Fair under events for your chance to win prizes.

This is the place to find a NEW or BETTER JOB!

Bring many copies of your resumé, dress professionally and be prepared to talk to hiring representatives.

UtahValleyJobFair.com



FREE Online **Landscape Classes**



Edibles in the Landscape
March 2nd, 7-8 pm



Localscapes University
March 5th, 10-11:30 am



Attracting Native Bees
March 9th, 7-8 pm



Planting Bed Design
March 12th, 10-11 am



Exciting New Plants
March 16th, 7-8 pm



Creating Waterwise Park Strips
March 19th, 10-11 am



H.E.A.T. PROGRAM

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE TARGET

The HEAT Program provides year-round energy and water assistance as well as energy and water-related crisis assistance for eligible low-income households throughout Utah.

For more information about the program and eligibility requirements, visit **JOBS.UTAH.GOV** and look for the HEAT Program details or call **2-1-1** for help.



CENTRAL UTAH WATER
CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

**Full Class List
& Registration at:**

cuwcd.com/classes.html